GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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MISAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS BY NGOS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some of the NGOs working in the field of de-addiction have stopped their activities;

(b) if so, the number of NGOs which have stopped their activities during the last two years;

(c) whether it is a fact that there were allegations of misappropriation of Government grants against some of these organizations;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the Government have received some complaints of misappropriation of Government grants against some of these NGOs;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action being taken by the government against such organizations;

(f) whether Government are taking any steps for recovering the said grant from these NGOs whoare involved in misappropriation of Government grants; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. MANEKA GANDHI)

(a) to (g) Instances have come to the notice of the Government where grantee organizations have beenfound to be non existent, or misutilising the grant, of the quality of services delivered by the NGO are not commensurate with the funds released. In such cases, further release of grant in aid to the NGO is suspended Show cause notice is issued to the management and if theexplanation is found to be unsatisfactory, then action is taken to blacklist the organization and the State Government/District Collector concerned is asked to seize the assets created out of the Government assistance, dispose of the same, deposit the monies thus collected with the Government and recover the balance amount as arrears of land revenue.
7 NGOs have been blacklisted under the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse during the years 1999-2000 and 2000-01. In case of one BGO, an amount of Rs.78,100/- has been recovered.